

My name is Paul Percifield and I support net neutrality, not just because I believe the Internet should be a free space for people from all over the world to express themselves, but because net neutrality is a part of our rights as United States citizens. It would be unjust and unconstitutional to repeal net neutrality because that would hinder our freedom of speech, freedom of expression, and our freedom of the press. These are the freedoms that our forefathers fought for and died for us to have. These are the freedoms that millions of Americans put their lives on the line for in our armed forces. They fight and die so that we can live in a country where we can freely express ourselves. Yet, if net neutrality is repealed, our ability to exercise the freedoms we hold so dear to our hearts is hindered. Internet service providers will be able to prevent certain ideas from being heard using extra fees and service packages. If net neutrality is repealed the main source for people to exercise freedom of expression, freedom of speech, and freedom of the press will be able to be regulated and many voices will be silenced. If these rights of ours are hindered, then what have millions of Americans fought and died for? Families have lost loved ones, siblings have been separated, and children have had to say goodbye to a parent never to have seen them again. All for what? Just so corporations can fill their pockets and silence the sources of ideas they disagree with? No, these men and women have fought and died so that we as Americans can exercise the rights our forefathers established for us. No matter what platform we exercise them on. The internet is the main platform for people to exercise these rights and if this freedom is taken away from us and regulated. Then all of the sacrifice for our great nation has been for nothing. If net neutrality is repealed, the. The families that have suffered losses will have to see that their loved one sacrifices themselves, not for the freedoms of the citizens of the United States of America, but for the ability for corporations and government officials to line their pockets with money and lie through their teeth as they call themselves patriot Americans.